

Seaside Ranchos

By BETTY LOU SPARKS

The gist of most conversation this week in Seaside has been the Las Vecinas Hawaiian Luau, which was held Friday, August 11. For weeks everyone has been hunting authentic hula skirts, sarongs, and making leis, and now it is hard to unwind. The Riviera Beach Club Friday evening was turned into a reasonable facsimile of a spot in the islands. A long table in the entrance hall decorated with ti leaves and hibiscus and a huge roasted pig greeted the guests on arrival. The dinner of native fruits, poi, and fried rice set the mood for the hula contest, won by Mrs. Davis Hurford, who wore a grass skirt straight from Hawaii.

Parties and pot-luck suppers to raise votes for the candidates for king and queen of the Luau had been keeping us guessing for weeks and it was not until the final evening that Mary Jane Miller and Lenard Doyle were crowned winners of the contest and King and Queen of the Luau. Totals for the contest were Mary Jane Miller 4249, Len Doyle 4248, Dinnie Walker 2565, Dee Schowalter 2745, Marg Brogden 1204, and LeRoy Watts 943.

The sewing group of Las Vecinas gathered Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Richard R. Blakeley, Hollywood Riviera, for a Chinese dinner to raise votes for their candidates Dinnie Walker and Dee Schowalter. About 28 guests partook of the feast prepared by Allee Byrd, Vivian Cool and Dinnie Walker.

An early morning Kaffee Klatch to push the candidacy of Marg Brogden and LeRoy Watts was given by the Garden Club of Las Vecinas Tuesday morning at the home of Mrs. Dorothy Barger. Coffee, cake and coffee were served to the 20 guests.

A gathering Friday evening to congratulate the winners, Mary Jane Miller and Len Doyle, was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hanover. Toasting the victors were Mr. Eugene Miller, Mrs. Leonard Doyle, and Mr. and Mrs. James Lynch, Los Angeles.

A pre-dance party Friday night was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hyder. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Buzz Stewart, Torrance, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Chambers.

Big eyed boys and girls stumbled over one another Wednesday in their eagerness to go from pony ride to fish pond and back again at Kenny Hyder's third birthday party. The big cherry chiffon cake, ice cream, and pop entranced Linda Sciencieux, Diana and Barry Hurford, Timmy and Carolyn Roetter, Bruce and Brent Shoemaker, Sidney and Stevie Sparks, Linda, Carolyn, Johnny, Steven Eubank, Skippy and Linda Bloom, Los Angeles, Lenai and Marlene Fetters, Betsy Mewborn, Bill Jo Pratt, Cheryl Lewis, Los Angeles, Michael McCann, Redondo, Johnny and Jayne Carlton, Linda and Mary Lawrence, Barbara and Alexandria Merola and Gretchen Teach.

This is the last reminder that August 19 is a day of fun for the kiddies at the Youth Festival at El Retiro Park. The Doll booth will be operated by the Seaside Senior Girls and the White Elephant booth by the Seaside Intermediate Girl Scouts. Save your pennies and stock up on those odds and ends.

Wiener toasting Thursday went the girls from Troop 1065. Attending the dinner in Torrance Park were Ina Mae Sanno, Susan Dukeman, Sara Lee Sloan, Ellen Gaul, Mary Johnson, Judy Greenwood, Barbara Merola, and Mrs. Harry Greenwood and Mrs.

Byron Johnson. An adult version of the same sport was found at the meeting of the Mr. and Mrs. Club of St. Andrews Episcopal Church Monday night when they met to toast winners and marshmallows. About 30 persons enjoyed the evening including Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hyder from Seaside Ranchos.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Whyte this weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dixon, San Diego. Mr. Dixon is a chief pharmacist mate, USN, and was just recently transferred from Nashville, Tenn.

A telephone call this week brought an old friend back into the life of Chris Hall. Upon answering the ring, Chris heard the voice of her girlhood friend Mrs. "Pat" Patterson, formerly of Mississippi. Mr. Patterson is with the Flying Tiger Air Line and they are now residing in Gardena.

Much the same thing happened to me this week when my friend, Miss Alice Harper of St. Louis, Mo., visited in Los Angeles on her way home from Vancouver. B. C. Miss Harper is an instructor in art at Webster College in Webster Groves, Mo.

Enjoying the sea breezes on the hilltop in Seaside Heights this week is Mrs. Morlette Evans, Abilene, Texas. She is planning a prolonged stay at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Oliveira.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Edwards, Sacramento, were taking life easy and seeing the sights this week as they vacationed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marcy, Seaside Heights.

Praises to the joys and beauties of Crestline are being sung by Mr. and Mrs. Art Arndt this week after a week's vacation there. Their family, Ray, Shirley, and Mike enjoyed the boating, swimming, and fishing, too.

A big day at the San Diego zoo, with trips to the other points of interest in the city, was enjoyed by Jackie Johnson Sunday with the YMCA tour.

Friends of Russ Hopkin will be glad to know he is up and around after his sojourn at the hospital.

Be sure to get your number in the Big Soap Box Derby. Juniors and Seniors alike will have a chance to show their skill with their home-made jolopies September 3. Call George Honzik today.

Shower Fetes Young Matron

Mrs. Vera Harrison, the former Miss Joan McWaid of San Pedro, was honored recently when Mrs. R. J. Powers Jr. (Marcia McWaid) of Inglewood, entertained at the Martina avenue home of the girls' mother, Mrs. H. H. McWaid.

Traditional stork decorations were used throughout the rooms and baby shower games occupied the group until the many lovely gifts were opened. Buffet refreshments were served to approximately 30, including guests from Torrance, Lomita, Pasadena, Orange, San Pedro, Los Angeles and Inglewood.

From Torrance were Mrs. LeRoy Pulliam, C. W. Brown, E. J. Hosking, P. Maggiora, Patsy Peterson, W. L. McWaid, T. A. McWaid, H. H. McWaid and the Misses Joan Davis, Betty Floyd, Jacquie King, Peggy Crook, Pat Findley, Mitzi Brown, Joan Peterson and Sue McWaid.

NEWS OF WOMEN OF THE MOOSE

Torrance Chapter 44, Women of the Moose, announce that a business meeting, set for 8 p.m. Wednesday, August 23, will feature initiation. Program for the social hour to follow will be directed by Mooseheart Alumni Chairman Lela Foglin and her committee of Past Regents.

Annual conference of the Women of the Moose, and the dedication services of the "House of God" Church, scheduled for August 20-24, at Mooseheart, Ill., will be attended by delegate Ma Mae Ambach, College of Regents member, who will be accompanied by her husband, William Ambach.

Arrangements of colorful summer flowers decorated the rooms and the dining table where a salad luncheon was served. Prizewinners at bridge were Mesdames R. E. Olsen and A. H. Silligo.

Other guests were Mesdames E. A. Miles, Albert Isen, L. C. Burger, Fred E. Cooper, and Raymond Rogers.

Mrs. Fernley Hostess to Bridge Club

Mrs. L. M. Fernley was a gracious hostess when she entertained bridge club members Thursday afternoon in her Beech avenue home.

Prenuptial Shower Honors Miss Ruth Ellen Fortner

Complimenting Miss Ruth Ellen Fortner of Long Beach, bride-elect of Robbie O. Brasfield of Torrance, Miss Mary Ellen Crawford entertained at an attractively appointed shower in her Anapola avenue home.

Pastel green and white created a pretty decorative scheme with all-white flowers used throughout the rooms and white crepe paper wedding bells suspended from chandeliers and archways. The buffet table was lovely with an arrangement of white carnations and greenery banked at the base of a pastel green net umbrella. Refreshments featured an ice cream cake decorated to follow the shower theme and bearing an appropriate floral inscription.

Games preceded the shower gift presentation with the honoree and Miss Charlene Baggeson and Mrs. Esther Pickrell as winners.

Bridge Club Meets at Murphy Home

Orchids and gardenias decorated the Greenwood avenue home of Mrs. D. A. Murphy when she entertained bridge club members at luncheon Saturday afternoon.

Prizewinners were Mesdames Lillian Turnipseed, Eleanor Hughes, Bernie Helnick, all of Los Angeles; and Helen Mourice, Leimert Park.

Townsendites Activities

Torrance Townsend Club No. 1 will meet tomorrow evening in Torrance Woman's clubhouse. Everyone is invited to attend these club affairs, according to the president, James Sellers.

Bunco players will arrive at 7:30 for a brief session until 8:15, when old time and modern dancing will begin.

Quilting Bee Is Scheduled By RNA Group

Members of the Royal Neighborhood Friendship Society will hold an old-fashioned all-day quilting bee in Moose Hall on Carson street Tuesday, August 22.



COURT PLAY TOGS... Coordinated play items can be worn in a variety of ways, in sturdy denim. Left: solid-toned sun bra is worn with a skirt of blue, grey and yellow woven together, in wide colorbands. Right: beach coat of many colors, worn over solid cuffed little boy shorts and sun bra. By Fleischman of California.

FALL BAZAAR PLANS SET BY CDA COURT MEMBERS

Dolls for the booth which the court sponsors each year, were distributed to members of Court St. Catherine, Catholic Daughters of America, at a business meeting Monday evening. From now until the Nativity Catholic Church bazaar is held, October 6, 7 and 8, court members will be busy with their needles fashioning clothes for the dolls.

Mrs. T. T. Babbitt, filling in as social welfare chairman, reported that Mesdames Joseph Lucas and Farrell assisted her in visiting the court's adopted ward in Los Angeles County Harbor General Hospital during July.

Mrs. Forester, chairman, assisted by Mesdames Gilbert Hutton, Keith Beck, Douglas Schnorr and Mayme Arnold served refreshments.

Mrs. Donald Pennington will be hostess to the Court's study club next Monday, August 13, at her home at 1407 Anapola.

Mrs. Howard Schott is program chairman.

LAS VECINAS SPONSORS YOUTH FESTIVAL 19TH

By CHARLENE WHYTE. Saturday, August 19, is the day of the Youth Festival sponsored by Las Vecinas. The starting time is 12:00 noon and the place—El Retiro Park in Hollywood Riviera. Youth groups including the Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Junior and Senior Rockettes and the Brownies from Hollywood Riviera and Seaside Ranchos will participate.

Each Youth Group will be in charge of its own booth selling either homemade candy, cakes, pies or ice cream. Cakes and hot dogs. Proceeds from the day will be divided equally among the participating groups.

A barbecue supper will be served from 4:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The beef will be barbecued by Mr. Claude Farrel. The meal will be served cafeteria style with each dish priced separately.

Mrs. Curtis Cool will serve as dining room chairman. At 3:00 p.m. the new building in the park will be dedicated with members of the Torrance Recreation Commission, Mr. J. A. Beasley, P. J. Patronsky, Paul Roettger, George Powell and Superintendent of

A.L.A. PRESIDENT URGES WOMEN TO AID PROGRAM

Mrs. Annie Olson, newly-installed president of the Auxiliary of Bert S. Crossland Post of the American Legion, calls attention of women eligible to Auxiliary membership, that there is a wonderful opportunity in the work of service which this women's organization opens for them.

The Auxiliary has a potential membership—which would give them strength to enable them to make a very important contribution to the nation's present and future, Mrs. Olson stressed.

Their child welfare program reaches every corner of our nation. Their rehabilitation program is carried on in every veterans hospital. Their work is a work of service and they ask all eligible women to become members and strengthen the organization for more and greater achievements.

Mrs. Olson asks that each member read "Show Them the Road to Travel" in the August

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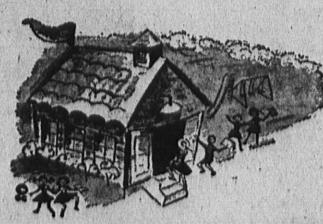
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